Spelling errors in CBSE Examination

1213. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education has decided not to penalise the examinees for the Class X and XII examinations for English spellings in Science and some specific subjects in Humanities Streams;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir. Examinees are not penalised for spellings in the assessment of questions framed to test the reading skills in the question papers of English Communicative, Class X and English Core and Functional English, Class XII.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Adult Education Scheme

†1214. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the States where adult education scheme is in progress;

(b) the number of persons who have benefitted under this scheme during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the amount spent on this scheme in those States during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) A Statement showing the names of States where Adult Education Schemes are in progress and persons benefitted thereunder during the period from 2001-02 to 2003-04, as per information received, is enclosed (*See* below).

(c) The amount spent during the last three years under the schemes of NLM is as under:

2002-03	Rs. 216.29 core
2003-04	Rs. 232.50 core
2004-05	Rs. 236.47 crore

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.